

tract of land referred to as the Boyd Ranch in trust for the Jicarilla Nation. Rio Arriba's appeal of this determination is currently pending before the Interior Board of Indian Appeals.

In an effort to settle the road dispute, the Jicarilla Nation and Rio Arriba County entered into mediation. The parties successfully reached a settlement that was subsequently executed by the Jicarilla Nation on May 3, 2003, and Rio Arriba County on May 15, 2003. Representatives of the Secretary of the Interior approved the settlement on June 18, 2003. The settlement agreement, which would be implemented by this legislation, provided that the Jicarilla Nation would transfer approximately 70.5 acres of land located with the expanded 1988 Jicarilla reservation to Rio Arriba County. In exchange for the Jicarilla Nation's land conveyance, Rio Arriba County agreed to permanently abandon any and all claims to the disputed road. The settlement also provides that the terms of the agreement do not take effect until all parties complete their respective promises in the agreement and the United States, pursuant to federal law, approves of the conveyance of this particular Jicarilla trust land to Rio Arriba County.

Both parties and the Secretary of the Interior have fully performed the terms agreed to within the settlement agreement. All that stands between the parties to this dispute and long overdue resolution is Congressional approval. Consequently, the legislation will adjust the Jicarilla Reservation border in order to account for the transfer. At the same time, this legislation upholds Congress' trust responsibility to the Jicarilla Nation by placing restrictive covenants on the trust land transferred to the County. In other words, this legislation recognizes that the transferred land is immediately adjacent to the remainder of the Jicarilla Nation. As a result of the transferred land's proximity to the reservation, certain uses of the transferred land would have a detrimental effect on the remaining reservation. Therefore, this legislation allows the County to use the land only for governmental purposes but specifically prohibits the County from using the land for prisons, jails, or other facility for incarcerating persons.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to expedite passage of this legislation. Both the Nation and the County have waited years for this agreement to be implemented. Congress must now do their part to provide long overdue resolution.

**HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE  
OF MAJOR HENRY SAN NICOLAS  
OFECIAR, U.S. ARMY**

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 10, 2007*

Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay grateful tribute to the life of MAJ Henry San Nicolas Ofeciar who recently made the ultimate sacrifice in Afghanistan for our Nation. MAJ Henry Ofeciar, 37, lost his life in the cause of freedom in Jalalabad, Afghanistan, as a result of an attack on August 27, 2007. The people of Guam suffer the loss of outstanding soldiers like Major Ofeciar with profound sadness. But it is Henry's loved ones and friends who bear the greatest burden and

for whom we send our messages of support and gratitude.

MAJ Henry Ofeciar graduated from John F. Kennedy High School in 1988. He joined the University of Guam Reserve Officers Training Corps, ROTC, where he excelled as a leader and as a soldier. Henry Ofeciar graduated from the University of Guam in 1993, and received his commission as a second lieutenant in the United States Army in 1994, beginning a distinguished career of service to our country. He earned a master of arts degree in business administration and public administration from Syracuse University in 2005, continuing his development as a professional soldier.

MAJ Henry Ofeciar was assigned to the 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, KS. Major Ofeciar, like the many sons of Guam who served before him and gave their lives in defense of our country, served with honor and distinction. He lost his life answering the call to duty of our Nation, fighting in Afghanistan in order to help make the United States more secure. For his sacrifice on our behalf, we will always be eternally grateful.

We offer our thoughts and prayers to Henry's wife Angali, who he married in January 2007. We offer our deepest sympathies to his parents, Agnes S.N. and Leonard Rillera of Talofofo, Guam, and Pedro and Lougene Ofeciar of El Paso, TX. We also extend our sympathies to his sisters and brothers, Orlene Ofeciar Arriola, Pete, Doreen, Chris, April, and Patrick San Nicolas Ofeciar. On behalf of a grateful country and the people of Guam, we share their loss and we offer our prayers for their comfort.

Henry Ofeciar had a favorite quote from the Greek philosopher Epictetus, which epitomizes his personal commitment to duty, "First say to yourself what you would be; and then do what you have to do." Today we honor MAJ Henry Ofeciar, a hero who did what he set out to do, and for whom we will be forever in his debt. His family, his people, and his fellow soldiers take pride in knowing that we will all remember him for many years for what he did for us. God bless MAJ Henry Ofeciar, God bless Guam, and God bless the United States of America.

**CONGRATULATING MS. BRENNAN  
DIVITA**

**HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 10, 2007*

Mr. TANCREDO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to one of my constituents, Ms. Brennan Divita of Littleton, Colorado, who will attend a People to People World Leadership Forum in 2008. Her outstanding academic merits and communal involvement have laid a solid foundation of individual integrity and dedication: both characteristics of a qualified leader. I am honored to represent such a promising young woman.

Created in 1956, the People to People Program is an educational travel program dedicated to fostering leadership potential in youth worldwide. People to People has helped more than 200,000 students and professionals develop their leadership skills based upon Dwight D. Eisenhower's belief that "people can make a difference where governments

cannot." This unique interaction and exposure will enable Ms. Divita to gain a greater understanding and insider's perspective of Washington, DC.

Madam Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to acknowledge one of Colorado's own. Please join me in congratulating Ms. Divita and wishing her the best in her future endeavors.

**RECOGNIZING SPENCER FRAZIER  
FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF  
EAGLE SCOUT**

**HON. SAM GRAVES**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 10, 2007*

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Spencer Frazier, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 138, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Spencer has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. Previously, he volunteered his time to work with the Second Harvest Food Bank where he organized an effort to make 35 quilts for the Backpack Buddies program. Over the years Spencer has been involved with Scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Spencer Frazier for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

**SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST  
AWARENESS DAY**

**HON. DARRELL E. ISSA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 10, 2007*

Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, today I rise to remember those who have died as a result of sudden cardiac arrest, and to introduce a House Resolution in support of the goals and ideals of Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Day.

Sudden cardiac arrest, SCA, is a condition in which the heart suddenly and unexpectedly stops beating, causing blood to stop flowing to the brain and other vital organs. SCA usually causes death if not treated in minutes.

Annually, 250,000 to 450,000 Americans have sudden cardiac arrest, and 95 percent of these people die within minutes. But SCA does not have to take this many lives. Rapid treatment of SCA with a defibrillator, a device that sends an electrical shock to the heart, can be lifesaving. According to the Department of Health and Human Services' National Heart, Blood and Lung Institute, automated external defibrillators, AEDs, which are often found in public places like airports and office buildings, can be used to save the lives of people having SCAs.

On May 20, 2005, 14-year-old Travis Roy was at school in Murrieta, CA, when he suffered SCA. His school, like most schools, did